IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re the Application of:

Mutsumi YANO et al.

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REQUEST FOR RETURN OF PTO/SB/08

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 22, 2008

Sir:

Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) on December 4, 2007. A copy of the IDS is attached hereto.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner return a copy of the Form PTO/SB/08 that accompanies the IDS, marked to indicate that the references listed therein have been considered by the Office.

The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner has any questions concerning this Request.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Applicants direct the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office to the documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. A copy of each non- U.S. document is attached.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted after mailing of a final action, a Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, but before or concurrent with payment of the Issue Fee. A check is attached hereto which covers the \$180.00 fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p).

The undersigned hereby certifies that each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement. A copy of the foreign communication citing the documents is attached.

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In accordance with M.P.E.P section 609.04 III, it is respectfully submitted that the

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version of the office action which indicates the degree of relevance found by the Japanese Patent

Office.

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